

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-6, 14, 16-21, and 29 are pending in the present application. Claims 7-13, 15, 22-28, and 30 are canceled. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

**I. 35 U.S.C. § 121**

The Office Action requires a restriction to one of the following inventions:

- I. Claims 1-6, 14, 16-21, 29; and
- II. Claims 7-13, 15, 22-28, 30.

In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants elect invention I, claims 1-6, 14, 16-21, and 29, without traverse.

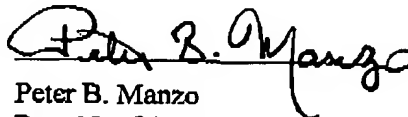
Claims 7-13, 15, 22-28, and 30 to non-elected invention II, are hereby canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. It is respectfully urged that the subject application be reconsidered.

**II. Conclusion**

The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number if in the opinion of the Examiner such a telephone conference would expedite or aid the prosecution and examination of this application.

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Respectfully submitted,



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